

**REMARKS**

Claims 1-16 remain pending in the application. Of these, claim 14 is currently amended.

Claim 14 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) over Senn et al. US 2002/0072032 (Senn). Claim 14 has been amended in view of this rejection. Senn discloses a tooth manifold 22 having a wall 52 dividing chamber 24 into communicating inlet and outlet chambers. Senn does not teach or suggest a method in which a manifold includes means for preventing fluid communication between inlet and outlet chambers, as defined by the amended claim 14.

Claims 1-13, 15 and 16 are allowed.

Reconsideration in view of the foregoing amendments and remarks and allowance of claim 14, in addition to previously allowed claims 1-13, inclusive, 15 and 16, is respectfully requested.

Respectfully Submitted,

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